

Black History Month

Segregation and the Jim Crow Laws in the U.S.A.

Entrée culturelle : Ecole et société

Objectifs culturels : La ségrégation aux Etats-Unis, les lois Jim Crow.

Objectifs lexicaux : les droits civiques, les verbes d'action.

Objectifs linguistiques : l'obligation et l'interdiction au passé.

Niveau visé : A2 → B1

Activités langagières travaillées :

Ecouter et comprendre

Découvrir les aspects culturels d'une LVE

Ecrire

Je serai capable de :

Comprendre la ségrégation aux Etats-Unis.

Parler d'une interdiction ou d'une obligation au passé.

Reformuler des phrases provenant d'un document historique.

1 Look at the pictures and say what you see.



Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division Washington, John Vachon



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Click the link and watch the video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8K2SacnUHra>

a. In what U.S. state does the scene take place?

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Alabama

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Mississippi

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Georgia

b. The man is talking about :

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the past

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the present

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the future

c. Quote words or expressions to justify your choice.

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d. Find the two different worlds mentioned.

The world and the world.

e. What problem is he talking about?

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unemployment

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poverty

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racial discrimination

f. How to behave.

Quote actions black people **had to** do and what they **couldn't** do .

they had to ...	they couldn't ...

g. Complete the sentence.

"In a society where Blacks and Whites can't even to each other, can't together."

3 PRL

a. "We couldn't try on a cap."

b. "We had to look down."

1. La phrase a. exprime ☐ une interdiction dans le passé ☐ un regret ☐ une obligation dans le passé

2. La phrase b. exprime ☐ une interdiction dans le passé ☐ un regret ☐ une obligation dans le passé

3. Dans chaque phrase, entoure en rouge les éléments indiquant l'obligation ou l'interdiction, et souligne les verbes en bleu.

4. Que remarques-tu?

Le verbe est -il conjugué? ☐ oui ☐ non. C'est donc une b. v.

4 Task : Re-write the Jim Crow Laws below using "couldn't" and "had to".

"It shall be unlawful for a negro and white person to play together or in company with each other in any game of cards or dice, dominoes or checkers."

—Birmingham, Alabama, 1930

"No colored barber shall serve as a barber to white women or girls."

—Atlanta, Georgia, 1926

Did you know?

Jim Crow laws were laws that enforced racial segregation in the U.S. South from the end of Reconstruction to the mid-20th century. They made segregation legal.

"Marriages are void when one party is a white person and the other is possessed of one-eighth or more negro, Japanese, or Chinese blood."

—Nebraska, 1911

"All person licensed to conduct a restaurant, shall serve either white people exclusively or colored people exclusively and shall not sell to the two races within the same room or serve the two races anywhere under the same license." Georgia

Prisons: "The warden shall see that the white convicts shall have separate apartments for both eating and sleeping from the negro convicts". Mississippi

Textbooks: "Books shall not be interchangeable between the white and colored schools, but shall continue to be used by the race first using them". North Carolina